

New Phone System Installation To Start Soon

By Douglas Woodward

Bell Telephone will be installing a new telephone system this month with some variations from the system planned last spring.

Ross Cochran, service consultant for Bell Telephone, said that the system would now be 100 per cent new touch tone telephones, the original plan was to replace 50 to 75 per cent of the rotary dial telephones with the new touch tone telephones.

Cochran also said that the new PBX system would be located on the 3rd floor of the new Administration Classroom Building. The PBX is now in the Student Center.

Carolyn Mercer supervisor of Business Services for Bell

Telephone, said that during the second week in September, information would be given out on the training sessions. The features of the telephone system would determine how long the training sessions would last. Training should begin the first part of October. Installation of the telephone system should begin Sept. 27 and be completed by Oct. 13.

Essentially what will be installed is a new solid state PBX system that would provide a computer programming of telephone operations. The new switching houses all of the electrical equipment and resembles a large refrigerator on wheels. This unit contains the

circuit packs, tape transport (Electronic Memory System), logic test prob and sub-system failure and maintenance and administration panel. About two cabinets will use to take care of about 420 lines.

The Dimension console unit will be a lot smaller than the switchboard now in use. This will enable less space to be used for operation. The switchboard and wiring currently take up two rooms on the second floor of the Student Center. Bell Telephone will be installing the new equipment at a cost of about \$35,000.

The Dimension system will offer a lot more options than the old switchboard. These include:

Class of Service Display to Attendant—Some phone stations will have features available on the PRX. Alphanumeric Display makes it possible for the operator to tell where the call is coming from. The Attendant DSS with Busy Lamp Field, is a system that does away with the switch board cords. All the operator has to do is punch a button if someone wants to talk to a station. The operator can also look at the lamp field to see if the line is busy; if it is, she can place the call on hold by dialing a code number.

Automatic Call Back is a system that will place a party on hold until the other person is

through talking. Then the system will ring both parties at the same time.

Call Forward Busy Don't Answer—This makes it possible to reroute a call to any station after the equipment recognizes a don't answer or busy signal. Thus calls that can't reach an office will be routed to another office for messages.

Call Hold makes it possible to place a call on hold by dialing a code number.

Call Pickup—A secretary does not have to get up to answer the telephone in the next office. All she has to do is dial the station code and transfer it to their office.

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Smith Resigns As Vet Affairs Director

Last week Ron Smith resigned his three year post as director of Veterans Affairs. Smith said that his job at MCC was to help students an Veterans in counseling and advising, but that time in doing so much paper work had taken him away from what he wanted to do which was to help people.

He was also concerned about getting his master's degree in Educational Psychology from Baylor University. Since he was loaded down with work and

paper work, he was not able to complete his education as he would like to.

Smith's new job will be with Youth Enterprises is a kind of halfway house for ex-youth offenders on parole from State Training Schools.

The home will house approximately sixteen young people while they are attending TSTI. The program is set up to help the young person obtain his education, so that he will be able

to support himself after graduation when he is released.

Smith said that his new duties would be to screen the young people as they come to the home. He said that some of the things he would be looking for would be IQ's, vocational interest and their ability to cope with their problems while at state institutions.

A replacement for Smith has not been named at this time. Smith said that probably in time an office manager would be

appointed to take over the Veterans Affairs Office.

Until then, the Veterans Affairs Office will be staffed by work study students. Emilio Bolando who is the Veterans Administration Representative, will also continue to be on the campus Tuesday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Smith said that he had enjoyed his three years at MCC, and that he would have many fond memories of working with the students.

He said that his proudest moment was when the Veterans Club won the Spirit Award for being the most outstanding club. He said this was the first time that any club had won the award twice in a row.

Groesbeck Coed...

Promising Athlete Dies

Freshman basketball player Jonetta Thomas was found dead in her Whispering Oaks apartment Monday. She had apparently been dead since Friday, Justice of the Peace Joe Johnson said. Johnson has ruled the death as accidental drowning, Tuesday afternoon and eliminated the possibility of any foul play.

Miss Thomas, 18, was found by Louise Watson, HPE custodian and her niece Venassa Anderson who was to be Miss Thomas' roommate. Miss Anderson was attempting to move in Monday afternoon, but was unable to gain entrance to the apartment until later that day when the two women discovered the body in the bathroom. No signs of foulplay were noted by Johnson.

Basketball coach Pam Davis said Miss Thomas was her most promising recruits. Miss Thomas stood 6'-0" tall and weighed 180 lbs. She came from Groesbeck, where she placed in both the discus and the shot put at the state level during her senior year. She was on a

scholarship and would have started for MCC this year.

According to Mrs. Davis, Miss Thomas was supposed to be on medication because of an illness she contracted while still at Groesbeck. The illness caused her to have occasional dizzy spells. Mrs. Davis said Miss Thomas had not been taking her medication as prescribed.

Miss Thomas, born Jan. 5, 1958, resided with her grandparents at 612 North Ellis in Groesbeck before moving to Waco.

Arrangements thus far with Drosey-Keatts Funeral Home in Mexia call for a service at Lonestar Baptist Church in Groesbeck and burial in Lonestar Cemetery there. Time and date of the services have not been set.

Survivors include her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Will Blacknell of Groesbeck; two sisters, Mrs. Ruby Nell Debose of Abilene, and Miss Angelina Thomas of Groesbeck.



photo by Billy Sobel

MOVIN' OUT: Ron Smith recently resigned as Director of Veteran Affairs. Smith is leaving MCC to take a position with Youth Enterprises, a half-way house for youths on parole. A replacement for Smith has not been named yet. Until then, work - study students will man the Office.

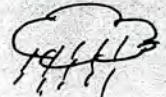
Enrollment Jumps Over 1975

At the close of registration, fall college credit enrollment at MCC is 3,702, a 3.9 percent increase over last fall's 3,564 reported to the State on the 12th class day.

President Wilbur Ball estimates the final college credit enrollment report to the State this fall will show only a slight increase over Fall 1975.

Non-credit Continuing Education registration during the fall semester is expected to bring the total enrollment for the fall to about 7,500.

Weather



The extended forecast for today through Friday calls for clear to partly cloudy skies with a chance of rain late this afternoon. A chance of rain should continue through Friday.

Temperatures should continue to be warm during the daytime hours with cool nights for this three day period.

Highest temperature for last week was 94 degrees with the lowest being 69 degrees.

Total rainfall for last week was 2.70 inches.



photo by Billy Sobel

FIELDHOUSE PROJECT DESIGNED FOR CONVENIENCE-- Though MCC's new fieldhouse is far from completion, construction workers have already made assurances that the facility will have every convenience.

Traffic Lights In Limbo

Construction of traffic lights at N. 19th and Powell Drive and N. 19th and College Drive, as reported in the Highland Herald of August 25, was to be completed by the end of the first week in September. This information was speculated on by the Chief of Traffic Operations and Design of the City of Waco, Rick Charlton. The continued traffic buildups at these locations obviously indicate the project is far from being completed.

Another check with Charlton this week reaffirmed the situation of two weeks ago. "The project is subject to equipment delivery," said Charlton. He said that equipment was arriving from the factory at different times on three freight trucks. Charlton said the first truck was having mechanical problems and had reported in from Oklahoma City, and Wichita Falls.

Charlton said that this incident was being considered as a special case and that his department was studying purchasing procedures to possibly alleviate this type of problem in the future. However, he did say that the foundations for the light pole standards were in place. This only leaves the matter of equipment arrival and installation; however, Charlton would not speculate on an arrival time or construction completion.

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Cheerleader Work-outs

CHEERLEADER WORK-OUT SCHEDULE

All workouts will be held in the Health and Physical Education Building Dance Room at 1:45 p.m.

Dates are :

Sept. 8	Sept. 15
Sept. 9	Sept. 16
Sept. 13	Sept. 20
Sept. 14	Sept. 21

Cheerleader candidates and anyone interested in becoming a candidate will meet on Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. in the Tartan Room of the Student Center.

Activities Office either Monday, Sept. 20 or Tues. Sept. 21, before noon to draw for your ballot position and to have your picture taken.

Cheerleader candidates must meet the following qualifications: you must be a full time student you must have a minimum "C" average from high school if you are a freshman, or a GPA of 2.0 in earlier college work and maintain this GPA if elected. You must come by the Student

Spanish Display

Today is the first day of a continuing display entitled Spanish Texans. Located in the Student Center, the display celebrates the Spanish culture in Texas society and is a preview of next week, set aside as Hispanic American Cultural Week.

Chicanos Unidos and Student Activities have planned several activities for that week to be announced later. The display is on loan from the Institute of Texan Cultures for September.

Various Meetings Held

Circle K Club will hold its first meeting today at 10 a.m. in the Lecture Hall. The purpose of the club is to encourage citizenship and responsible leadership.

The first Nursing Students Association meeting will be held on Sept. 13, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Science Lecture Hall. Mrs. Janice Roberson, director of Nursing Education will be the speaker.

The Astronomy Club will hold its first meeting today in the HPE Lecture Hall at 10 a.m.

Alpha Sigma Phi will meet today at 10 a.m. in the Science Building, Room 202.

A local chapter of the Office Educational Association will meet today at 10 a.m. in AS 212. Students with an office occupation major should plan to attend the meeting.

The Data Processing Majors Association and Epsilon Delta Phi Clubs meet today at 10 a.m. in the Applied Science Building in Room 101. It is important that all students interested in these clubs attend the meeting. New officers will be elected, and future activities will be discussed.

Parking for Handicapped

Kathy Greene who is director for the Special Services for the Physically Limited, said last week that the first two spaces in the faculty parking lot and the first two spaces in the Applied Science parking lot were reserved for the handicapped students to park their cars in.

Mrs. Greene said that other handicapped students would be given special permission to park closer to their classrooms. These cars will have special parking stickers on them.

She also said that all of these students have varied mobility disabilities which may not be apparent to others.

"A lot of these students may not arrive until 10 a.m., and they need the special parking spaces," said Mrs. Greene.

Coed Volleyball

The first intramural sport this fall is coed volleyball. The first game will be played on Wednesday, Sept. 15. All team rosters sheets must be turned in to the Student Activities Office or Ray Murray by Friday, Sept. 10.

A few of the rules for coed volleyball: at least one half of the team must be female, a female must hit the ball before it returns over the net, and a male may not jump to spike the ball.

Trophies are presented to the first and second place teams, and each member of the winning teams will be given a trophy.

"Job Opportunities"

Students looking for a job on or off campus should check the "Job Opportunities" Bulletin Board regularly for information. The board is located on the second floor of the Student Center.

calendar

Wednesday, Sept. 8

MCC Student DPMA and EDP clubs meet at 10 a.m.

Local chapter of the Office Education Association meets at 10 a.m. in AS 212

Friday, Sept. 10

Meeting of Cheerleader candidates in the Student Center Tartan Room

Skyhawk Performs

Skyhawk will perform a mini-concert from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday on the porch under the Student Center. The five piece band has three members who are MCC students: Randy Jeter, Gary Pavlica and Alfredo Ballesteros. The concert is sponsored by Student Activities.

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By Donna Richter

Daniel Bacon, 1976 spring editor of the "Highland Herald" gained first hand experience this summer on one of the nation's largest newspapers.

Bacon worked as a summer intern on the "Houston Chronicle." He received on-the-job experience in all aspects of newspaper business.

"I was given the opportunity to experience what it's like in a newspaper atmosphere—it's pretty neat," he said.

Bacon worked in the paper's display advertising department. "I collected \$10-12,000 of advertising from regular accounts as well as helping them with art and fresh ideas for their advertisements.

"I never gave advertising much thought until I actually saw how much it means to a paper. At least 80 per cent of a paper's income is advertising," he said.

Bacon said he has received an offer to work in the Chronicle's advertising department again next summer, but probably will not pursue that aspect of journalism.

"I'd rather write," he said. "I'd go back if they'd offer me a position in their editorial department—I'm not that fond of advertising."

Working with the Chronicle is "pretty prestigious," Bacon said.

Based on summer circulation

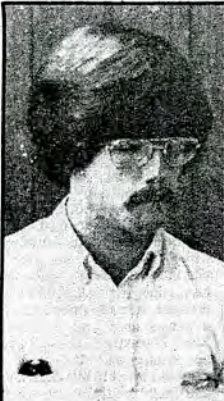
figures the paper ranked third nationally and fourth in the world.

Having been associated with the Chronicle will really help when I apply for a good job," he said.

"What I really enjoyed about working with the Chronicle was that I was able to experiment with different, innovative designs," Bacon said. "The deadlines for a big paper like that are unbelievable. Advertising deadline for the Sunday paper is Wednesday afternoon."

Bacon is presently a reporter-photographer for the "Waco Citizen." He hopes to publish his own newspaper in this area.

Bacon Gets 'Big-time' Newspaper Experience



Daniel Bacon

Gallie Gets One-Year Dream

Al Gallie, drama instructor, will head MCC's drama department for the 1976-77 school year. He is replacing James Henderson, who is on a year's study leave.

"Everyone who steps into a drama class dreams of owning their own theater," Gallie said. "For a year, I've got one. This theater is well supported by the students and faculty."

Gallie's plans for this year's drama department are varied. He plans to produce two short shows in the early part of December, and one, full-length drama in the spring.

"I would like to get the theater more involved in campus life," Gallie remarked. "I would like to get us out of the theater, to perform around campus."

He also wants to produce several one-act plays to encourage new students to attend the theater.

Gallie, a native of California, attended several junior colleges in the San Francisco area and also studied at the University of Idaho. He moved to Texas and worked with the First Repertory Company of San Antonio from 1972-1973. Gallie moved to Waco and earned a Bachelor's of Art and a Masters degree in drama at Baylor. Gallie is engaged and will be married in December.

Instructors Receive Doctorates

Within the past year, two MCC instructors have earned their doctor of philosophy (Ph. D.) degrees.

Dr. Travis Looper, English instructor and subject area coordinator, earned his Ph.D. in English from Baylor University this spring. Dr. Looper also holds bachelor of arts and master of arts degrees from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, N.M.

Dr. Doris Stevens, sociology instructor and subject area coordinator for the Behavioral Sciences, earned her Ph. D. in sociology from the University of Texas.

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